

# **Eastern Gulf of Mexico Sale 181: Status and Next Steps**

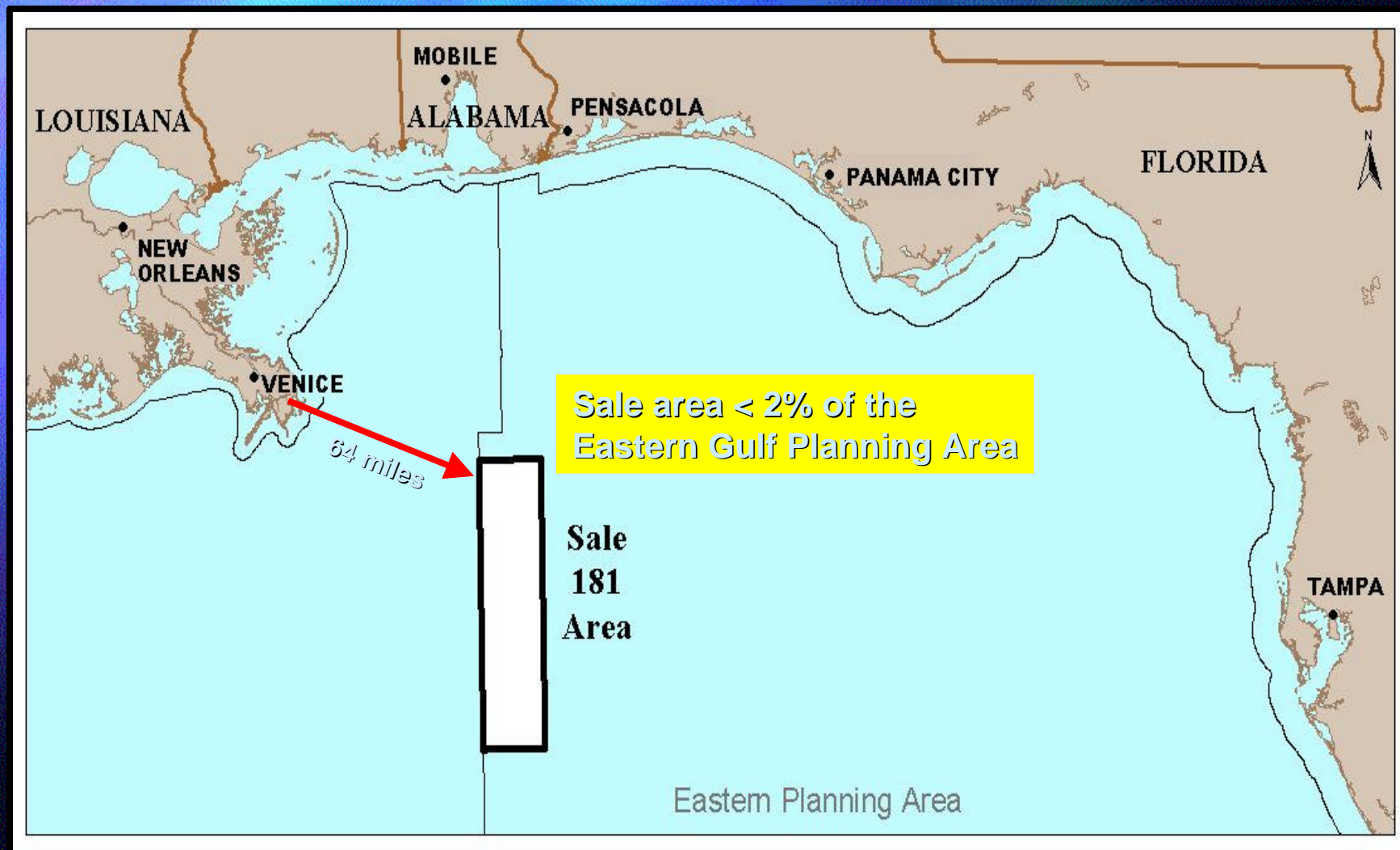
## **OCS Policy Committee Meeting**

**May 22, 2002**

**By  
Chris C. Oynes  
Regional Director  
Gulf of Mexico OCS Region**

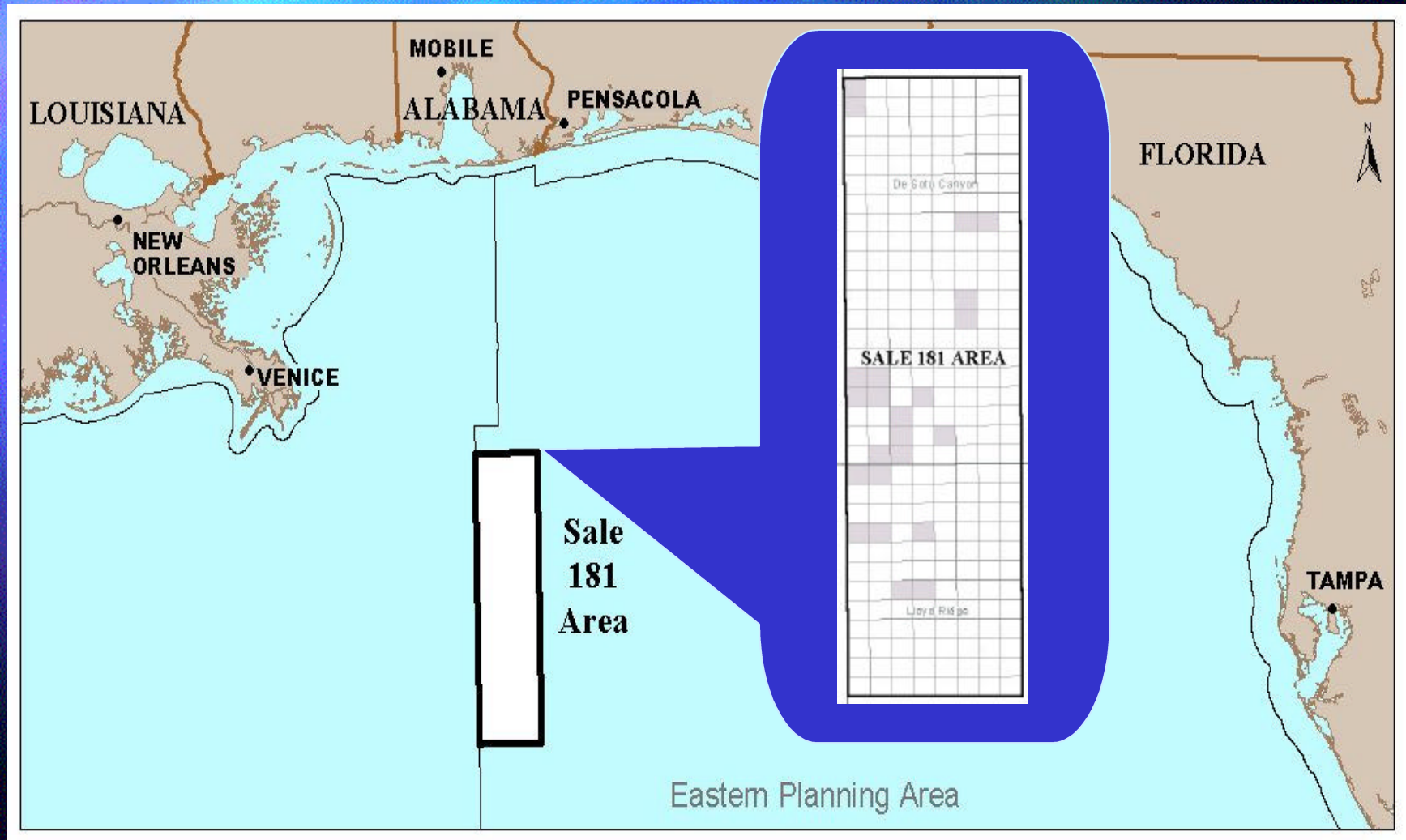


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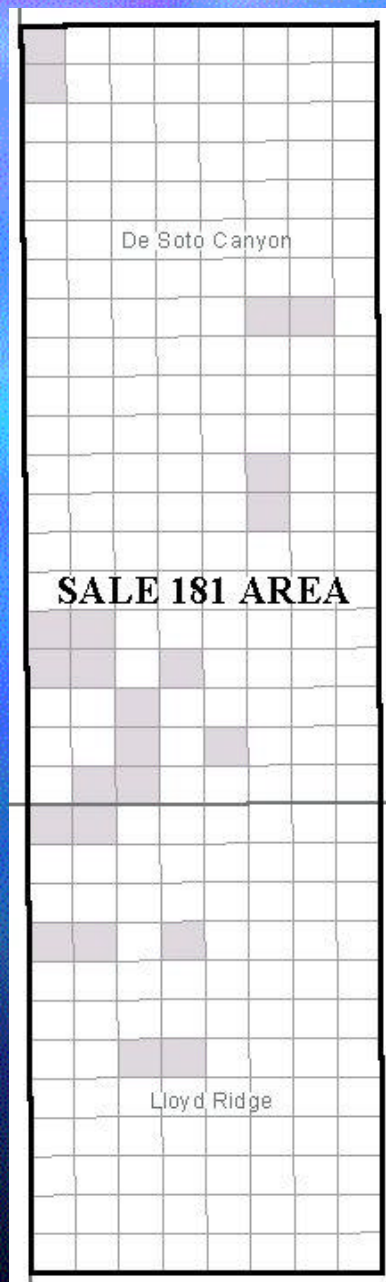




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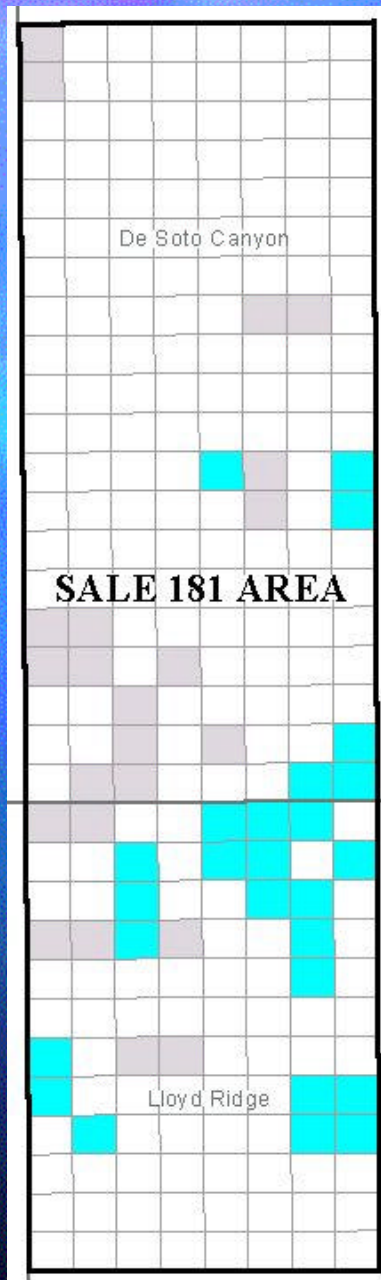
**Active Leases Prior  
to Lease Sale 181**



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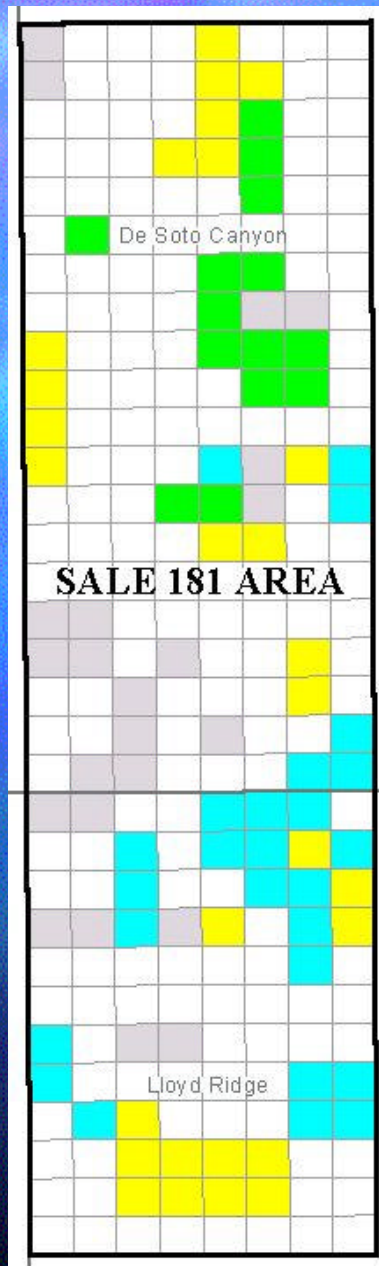
- **Held on December 5, 2001**
- **Attracted \$340 million in high bids in 95 tracts (1/2 million acres)**
- **All high bids were accepted**





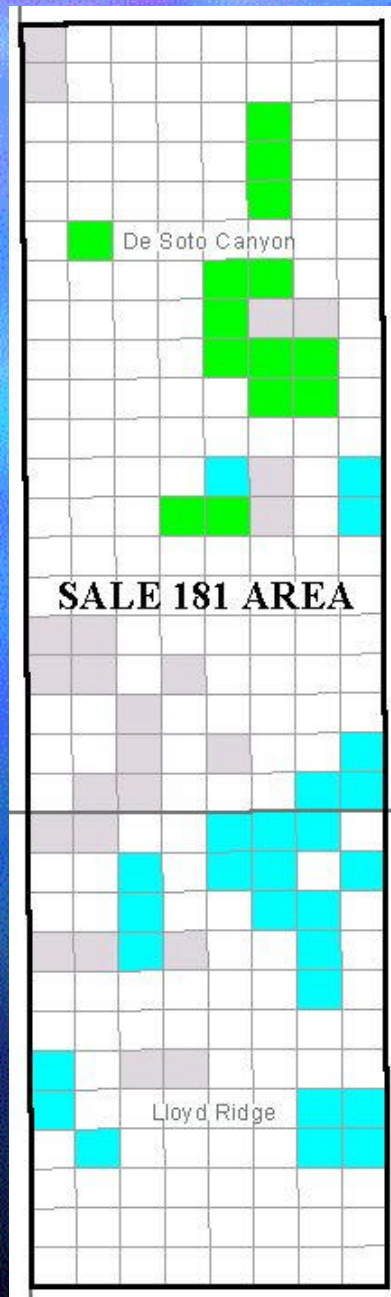
**Anadarko High Bids**





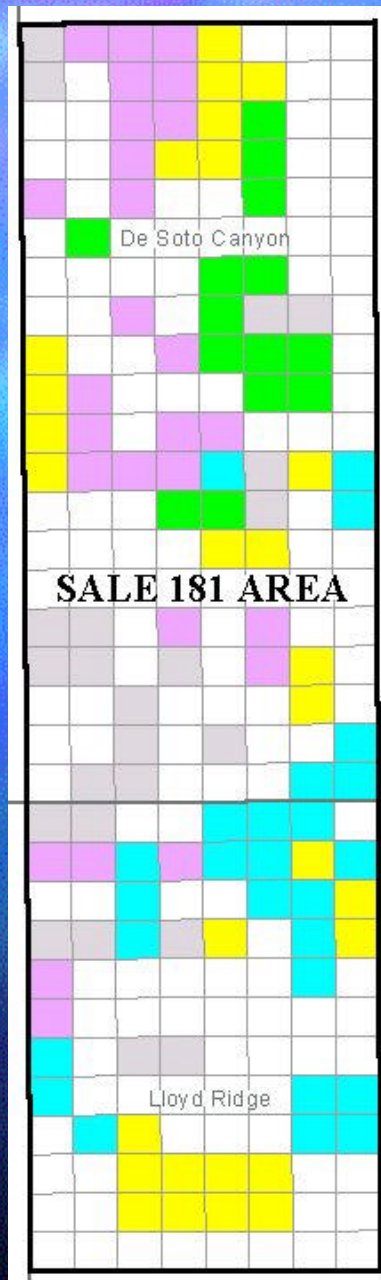
**Shell High Bids**





**Marathon &  
Marathon / Kerr McGee  
High Bids**





**High Bids Received  
from Other Bidders**



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## *"3-Highest Bids"*

Lloyd Ridge 91  
Anadarko--\$26 million

Lloyd Ridge 399  
Shell--\$22 million

Lloyd Ridge 446  
Shell--\$26 million





# **Eastern Gulf of Mexico Sale 189**

- **Sale 189 is a future sale in the Eastern Gulf of Mexico scheduled for 2003**
- **Sale 189 (2003) and Sale 197 (2005) will involve one multi-sale EIS**
- **Only the unleased area will be available**



# Eastern Gulf of Mexico Sale 189

## Sale Process

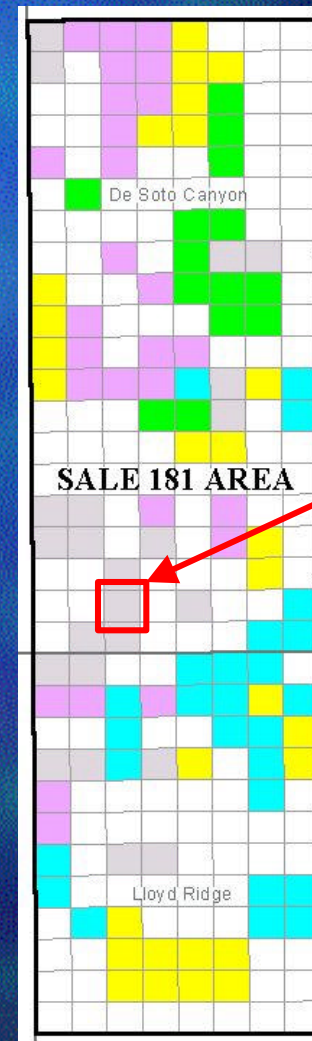
- Scoping Meetings held March 2002
- Draft EIS to be filed with EPA/Public Release in November 2002
- Public Hearings scheduled January 2003



# Marathon Proposed Exploratory Drilling

## ● Status

- Marathon filed EP with MMS in February 2001
- Lease issued prior to Sale 181
- MMS granted approval in October 2001
- APD expected in latter part of 2002



Marathon's  
De Soto  
Canyon 927 Site